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**Member Spotlight  
Brandon Maldonado, AIA**



## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

### BRANDON MALDONADO, AIA

**I am a member of AIA because...** I believe that every profession needs a unified voice. For ours, it is the AIA. For me, the AIA provides opportunities to network with our colleagues and share experiences and exchange advice. The AIA also is a great resource for key educational opportunities to stay current in a field where technology seems to change every day.

I was born and raised in Pepeekeo, a small town on the Big Island of Hawaii, about 10 miles north of Hilo. In 1996 I left my home and came to Las Vegas, where I completed the Masters in Architecture program at UNLV. If you would have asked 10 year old Brandon if he would be calling Las Vegas his future home, I would have said "no way" and threw my line out hoping to land a fish. But sure enough, years later, here I am living in Las Vegas and a Licensed Architect. All together I have been involved in our profession for 18+ years, I wouldn't trade it for any other option.

My passion is and always will be with helping others around me, and those who know me also know I rarely ask for anything in return. I truly believe that if your head and heart are in the right place, everything else will

work itself out. This is how I perform both in my personal and professional life. From the day to day tasks, to mentoring, to running large integrated resort projects, I stay true to this, and things have worked out great so far.

**What is the most important thing you've learned?** Be humble and stay inspired.

**Where will you be in 20 Years?** Hopefully in 20 years we will be in Hawaii, fishing for tuna on a boat, enjoying the island life with our ohana.

**What person, living or dead, would you most like to talk with?** Bob Marley. Coming from a humble upbringing, his life story is an inspiration to anyone who has a passion for their creativity, and works hard to ensure that every action aims to perpetuate their art. There were early challenges and failures, yet he pushed on towards a bigger goal of sharing his music with the world. And he succeeded. Through all these journeys he never compromised his beliefs and never forgot where he came from. I would love to hear these stories in person.

**How do you think the profession will evolve in the next 5-10 years?** I believe that we will see a shift from large person firms all located in one central office to remote teams distributed in different states and even across the globe. Smaller remote pods all still focusing on the same united goals, just done differently than we are currently accustomed to. I feel there is strong desire to create a better work / life balance and with today's technology the ability to work remotely can help achieve this. Video conferencing is slowly replacing the need for large conference rooms, and the ability to communicate in real time via numerous online platforms still allows for effective collaboration and successful ventures.

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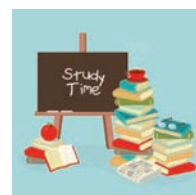
## WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO SAY?

The AIA FORUM is your newsletter.

It is provided as a member benefit and to help you stay informed on Chapter happenings, meetings, ideas and activities. We invite your participation in the form of articles and editorials.

If you have information you'd like to share or if you'd like to comment on an article, or provide new information or a point of view, please let us know via email to Randy Lavigne, Hon. AIA Executive Director, AIA Nevada/AIA Las Vegas

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A complete set of the Kaplan Architectural Examination Study Guide is available in the AIA Las Vegas office. These materials are available for use in the AIA office and can be reserved by emailing

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AIA Las Vegas  
President's Message  
Jon Sparer, AIA

## SUPPORT FOR OUR AIAS CHAPTER

As those of you that have served on a board, you know that occasionally you get asked to do something that is an unexpected pleasure and privilege. I had exactly that reaction when Dominic Armendariz, outgoing President of the UNLV Chapter of AIAS asked me to write a letter of recommendation to the judges at the National AIAS Committee for consideration of the AIAS UNLV chapter to receive the 'Chapter Honor Award'.

As far as I am aware, the UNLV AIAS chapter has never applied for any of the National Awards that are awarded annually by National AIAS before now. This year, our chapter is applying for 2 awards, the 'Chapter Honor Award' and 'Chapter President Honor Award' for Dominic Armendariz. After spending the last year interacting with Dominic and AIAS UNLV, I see both of these applications as extremely viable, achievable and long overdue.

The interaction of the AIAS Board and our Board of AIALV has been extensive and continuous throughout the year. Dominic has attended almost every one of our AIALV board meetings, sometimes with his brother Rafael joining him. BTW, Rafael is now the current President of AIAS UNLV.....these twin brothers really tag team very well. Our last AIALV board meeting had the entire new AIAS board in attendance too, with the exception of both Dominic and Rafael, who were out sick.....they really do share everything apparently.

I am pleased to share parts of my letter of recommendation below:

As AIA Las Vegas President and a professional with nearly four-decades of experience in our city, I have witnessed tremendous evolution in the region's professional and educational environment including the founding and accreditation of UNLV's School of Architecture. Therefore, I recognize the great strides our UNLV AIAS Chapter has made in just the last year.

My years on the AIA Las Vegas Board and as its current President have focused on establishing and sustaining connections between practitioners and the community with an emphasis on spreading the word on architecture and architects. I believe our mission over the next decades is to build, nurture and solidify our relationship with the professionals of tomorrow. This is how we will ensure the long-term viability, significance, engagement and success of our field. Independently, the AIAS UNLV Chapter has recognized this need and put into practice a multi-pronged approach to building a network and voice for our area's architecture students.

During the recession, every aspect of our profession was impacted with drops in first year students enrolled in UNLV's architecture program and declining membership in AIA Nevada, AIA LV and AIAS UNLV. The strategy of the 2016-2017 AIAS UNLV leaders focused on expanding the value of AIAS membership for individuals and to transform the organization into a natural pathway to sustained membership in the AIA. They put forth an aggressive agenda, partnering with AIA LV to form a robust professional-student mentorship program; create a local high school outreach program; remodel, re-open and return to stability the neglected AIAS UNLV Student Store at UNLV's School of Architecture; and establish a yearlong program of workshops to help students gain the right skills for successful internships.

AIAS UNLV put resiliency at the core of their efforts by partnering AIAS members in 3rd year studio with young, emerging professional AIA LV members in a mentoring relationship. These students and emerging professionals met regularly to discuss concerns, goals and practice, giving students a chance to hear first hand about practice from their contemporaries. Their mixer events have introduced many students to a practicing architect for the first time and increased paid membership of 3rd year students to 65%; they are now expanding this effort for second year students.

Outreach to students in the Clark County School District, the 5th largest in the country, extends into the public education system to increase awareness of architecture as a career path, along the way they started one of the nation's only AIAS high school chapters. Through this program, UNLV architecture students have given presentations to hundreds of students across the Las Vegas Valley forging lasting impressions of and connections with the profession. And AIAS UNLV partnered with the School of Architecture to establish a workshop series designed to give AIAS members the skills needed to gain meaningful internships including technical, B.I.M., digital media, conceptual sketching, portfolio building, and presentation skills as well as tours of local firms and projects.

AIAS UNLV instigated fundraising initiatives that substantially increased national conference attendance for UNLV School of Architecture students: seven students attended Grassroots Conference (a 600% increase over the prior year), ten at Forum Boston (a 400% increase), six students attended West Quad in Portland, and AIAS UNLV President Dominic Armendariz represented UNLV at the Top 60 at 60 Conference in Orlando.

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UNLV AIAS ended the year with 51 members, including eighty percent of the 3rd year class for a total of forty percent in a small school of only 128 students. This group of AIAS leaders has transformed our declining UNLV chapter into a larger, stronger organization and, more importantly, established programs and momentum to ensure the Chapter's continued upward trajectory.

AIAS UNLV Chapter leadership has been a constant presence at our Board meetings, where their notion of what it means to be an architect surpasses anything I've seen. They are intelligent, informed, poised, professional, aware and passionate about the Institute and membership, presenting a brilliant model for those considering the profession, immersed in our academic programs, moving through the licensure process, and involved in our organization.

I've seen our future in this group, and our future is looking fantastic.



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## JUNE MEMBERSHIP MEETING WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?



When you speak to a group....or an individual....or when you write a response to a communication... do you know what you are saying? Do you consider your tone, attitude, message and how you want the listener to respond? Communicating professionally, passionately and understandably is a requirement in today's business environment. Style and presence affects how an audience perceives a message and while there is great respect for architects, there's a lack of understanding about what we do and how our work affects others.

Caitlin Reagan, manager of public affairs at the American Institute of Architects' national office in Washington, DC, will present the research, methods and conclusions that led to publishing the AIA Message Book, an important tool in bridging the gap between the public and architects. She will talk about crafting a well-designed message, advancing the profession, and identify key words to convey points that your listener will remember and be able to repeat. The AIA Message Book provides statistics and anecdotes that can easily be customized to formulate individual talking points and examples with your clients. Caitlin's primary focus is the public awareness campaign efforts to help raise the profile of architects in their communities. She works with local chapters to launch communications initiatives in their area.

Join us on Wednesday, June 21st when we explore "What Are You Saying?".

Reception begins at 5:30PM, Program starts at 6:30PM.

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## AIA NEVADA PROMOTES LOCAL FIRMS FOR LVCC AND STADIUM PROJECTS

The design, planning, development and construction of the Las Vegas Convention Center Project, and the Las Vegas Stadium will greatly impact all of Nevada architects and design professionals.

The Las Vegas Convention Center Project is a major expansion and renovation of the Las Vegas Convention Center to accommodate current customer needs and capture future tradeshow opportunities. The 1.4Billion dollar project consists of four phases extending to 2026. The Las Vegas Stadium will be the home of the Las Vegas Raiders, is a 1.9B project and is planned to be completed by the 2020 NFL Season. Each of these projects has the potential to engage local firms and create jobs for thousands of Nevadans.

AIA Las Vegas Executive Director, Randy Lavigne, Hon. AIA and members of the Chapter, have attended meetings of both the Oversight Panel for the Convention Center, and the Las Vegas Stadium Authority Board in order to publically request that local architects, engineers and design professionals be included in every phase of these projects. The following are the bodies of the letters that were delivered and read into the minutes of the meeting of the Convention Oversight Panel on Thursday, May 11th, and the Las Vegas Stadium Authority Board later that afternoon.



**AIA**  
Nevada

May 11, 2017

Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority (LVCVA)  
Board of Directors and the Oversight Panel

Dear Board Members, Oversight Panel Members and Staff of the LVCVA,

As an honorary member of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) and its 90,000 members; as Executive Director of the AIA Las Vegas and AIA Nevada Chapters; and on behalf of the 2,901 architects who are licensed, registered and practice in the State of Nevada, I am asking that you recognize, acknowledge and engage the abundance of talented, nationally acclaimed and respected architects that live and practice right here in our own state and provide an economic benefit with each and every project they design. They lead firms that offer a collective history with convention, hospitality and entertainment venues that exceed hundreds of years.

When Nevada architects work . . . the whole design and construction industry works. Projects that begin with the architect's design concept generate jobs for contractors, engineers, consultants, interior designers, landscape architects and others, who in turn hire the construction workers, the sub-contractors, suppliers and manufacturers . . . and so on. For every \$100M of capital funds invested in our state's building infrastructure, we create jobs for 6,000 Nevadans. It begins with the architect and ends with a healthy economy.

Of the 2,901 registered architects in the State of Nevada, 537 are residents who live and practice in our state, create jobs and contribute to the economic well-being of our communities through their practice. We understand that SB464 is intended to be a benefit for local "small" businesses, however, the required qualification for architecture and engineering firms to earn less than \$2.5M in annual revenue causes concern when used to qualify a firm's capacity, capability and experience. That qualification should not become an impediment to our local firms with the portfolio and experience qualified to play a major role given the intended scope of both the expansion and renovation of the LVCC. Furthermore, the requirement that 15% of the project be subcontracted to small local businesses should be a minimal guide only. Local firms regardless of size and income should be given the opportunity to participate on a project whose objective is to keep the Las Vegas brand and it's Convention Center on top and ahead of other competitive convention and tourism markets.

The 550 architect, associate and allied members of the AIA Las Vegas Chapter represent a diverse range of firms, large to small, whose specialties and breadth of professional experience cannot be calculated by an arbitrary revenue amount. These firms are prepared to provide exceptional design, planning and construction management services for the Las Vegas Convention Center (LVCC), and are truly interested in advancing the vision of the LVCC into the future. They are invested in this community just as the LVCVA is, and should play an integral role with this extraordinary and significant project.

It is our hope that the Board of Directors and the Oversight Panel for the Las Vegas Convention Center will engage local architects, engineers and design professionals in this project which will result in the most successful outcome for our Las Vegas and Southern Nevada communities. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Randy Lavigne, Hon. AIA  
Executive Director  
AIA Nevada / AIA Las Vegas



**AIA NEVADA PROMOTES LOCAL FIRMS FOR LVCC AND STADIUM PROJECTS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS PAGE**



**AIA**  
Nevada

May 11, 2017

Las Vegas Stadium Authority Board  
Clark County Commission Chambers

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In closing, it is our hope that the Stadium Authority will promote and engage local architects, engineers and design professionals in this extraordinary and significant project which will result in the most successful outcome for our Las Vegas and Southern Nevada communities. Thank you.

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Nominations are currently being taken for the positions of President-elect (President in 2019), and Treasurer. To qualify for either of these positions nominees must have served at least one year on the Board.

Nominations are also being taken for two Director positions, and the following provides some of the qualifications for service on the board.

Each Director must make a commitment to accept the requirements of service as a priority. As a member of the Board and a leader of the Chapter, Directors are required to attend all AIA Membership Meetings, special events and social functions and to support the Chapter's efforts in all programs. Directors are responsible for the financial security of the Chapter and generating the funding for programs and benefits for members. Directors must know and support the Chapter's mission, goals, programs, member benefits and concerns. They are familiar with the policies and procedures of the Chapter and the Institute, and they act in accordance with these governances. Directors seek out opportunities to be ambassadors for the Chapter and actively work to encourage new members, engage civic and community leaders and positively represent their fellow members and the organization at all times.

If you ....or someone you know .... Is ready to make this commitment to Chapter leadership, then now is the time to contact the Nominating Committee and become a candidate for service on the Board of Directors. Contact Randy Lavigne, Executive Director via email at [rlavigne@aianeveda.org](mailto:rlavigne@aianeveda.org) or 702-895-0936

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demonstrated a remarkable ability for business development and became active in multiple professional organizations, including American Public Works Association, Society for Marketing Professional Services, and American Institute of Architects.

Faith Ann has extensive business development experience and specializes in client and team development, and identifying and leading strategic pursuits. Strengths she brings to Ninyo & Moore include her extensive knowledge of geotechnical, environmental, and construction services offered by our firm, responsiveness to needs and requests of our clients, and great enthusiasm for life.

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## AND A VERY EXCITING DAY OF GOLF IT WAS

It was a beautiful day at TPC Summerlin and all of our golfers had a very good time indeed. We would like to thank all of our sponsors for their support and We would like to thank our volunteers and players for their participation.



The First Place Low Gross Spot was so very close! It was a tie at 59 and came down to a Score Card Play Off with the Sletten Construction Team barely edging out the Gary Guy Wilson Team by one stroke.

The First Place Low Gross winners were the Sletten Construction Team of Doug Kanopic, Randy Smith, Chip Madsen and Chris Lamb.



The Second Place Low Gross winners were the Gary Guy Wilson Architects Team of Jerry Roberts, Charles Hohl, Michael Fahey and Cash Wilson, Assoc. AIA

Second Place Low Net winners with a score of 56.8 were the DC Building Group Team, Reed Gottesman, Gary Siroky, Jim Slack and Shawn Danoski



First Place Low Net winners with a score of 55.6 were the GCW Engineering Team, Matt Ryba, Rick Berger, Tim McCoy and Wayne Salom

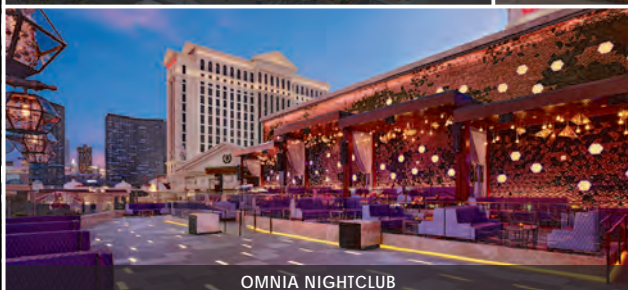
*Not Pictured:* Closest To The Pin winners were Chip Madsen from Sletten Construction and Scott Peet from Herman Miller. Longest Drive winners were Chris Lamb from Sletten Construction and Chris Kearney from exp.



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## AIA LAS VEGAS CONTINUING EDUCATION LUNCHEON SCHEDULE

AIA Las Vegas continues to provide Continuing Education Luncheons without charge as a benefit of membership,

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If you are interested in providing or hosting an AIA Las Vegas Continuing Education Lunch



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### 2017 AIA LV Continuing Education Opportunities are as follows:

Thursday, June 22 - AIA LV COTE Committee  
*COTE's Sustainable Design Series via AIAU*

Thursday, August 10  
*Vision 2045 Downtown Masterplan*

Wednesday, September 20 - AIA LV Product Show CE

Thursday, September 28 - AIA LV COTE Committee  
*COTE's Sustainable Design Series via AIAU*

October 11 - 14 - WMR Conference

Thursday, November 9 - OPEN

Wednesday, December 6 - AIA LV COTE Committee  
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## AIA LV COTE'S SUSTAINABLE DESIGN SERIES VIA AIAU

Join AIA Las Vegas COTE for the 2017 quarterly lecture series focused on sustainable design, techniques, integrated design approaches and optimizing strategies in your practice. Through the video presentations of AIAU, you can put your career into high gear as you learn about design professionals who are implementing technology, resolving challenges and creating new tricks to create comfortable spaces.

### June 22nd - 7:30 am - 9:00 am, 1.00 LU, \$10/person **Net Zero Energy Buildings (NZEB) in 7 Climate Zones: An Analysis of How to Design NZEB's in Varied Climates**

Presented by John Andary Bioclimatic Design Leader at Integral Group, David Kaneda, Managing Principal at Integral Group and John Weale, an Engineer Fellow and Associate Principal at Integral Group. Case studies of Net Zero Energy buildings in 7 distinctly different climates compare techniques to effectively drive energy use down to reach net-zero energy.

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### September 28th - 7:30 am - 9:00 am, 1.50 LU, \$10/person **Manipulating the Microclimate: Creating Comfortable Outdoor Spaces for People and Energy Efficient Communities**

Presented by Duncan A. Phillips, Principal Architect, RWDI. Engage with the tools to include manipulation of the microclimate in design work to influence the internal conditions and energy demand of buildings.

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### December 6th - 7:30 am - 9:00 am, 1.00 LU, \$10/person **Designing to an Energy Budget: Focus on Small Firms and Projects**

Presented by Chris J. Green, FAIA, Founding Principal Ago Studios, Inc., Heather Gayle Holdridge, LEED AP BD+C, EIT, Assoc. AIA, Kim E. Shinn, P.E., Principal, TLC Engineering for Architecture. Case studies of the Performance Design Process and using Design Performance Modeling to integrate energy modeling into the design process.

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Sponsorships are available for individual sessions and/or the complete Design Series. Sponsors will be listed on promotional materials. Individual session sponsorship are \$250. Please contact Caron Richardson; [crichardson@aianevada.org](mailto:crichardson@aianevada.org) at AIA Las Vegas for more information.

**You must RSVP to attend. No Walk-Ins permitted.**

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"What's in a title? That which we call an intern, By any other word would draft as sweet."

Have you heard?! After years of research and debate, the AIA has updated its position on the use of "intern" within the profession:

"Intern" should be regulated to current students working within an office. Professionals out of school, but before licensure, are to be titled either "Architectural Associate" or "Design Professional".

While the AIA acknowledges the institute has no authority to regulate such titles, the intent was to push the conversation into the mainstream and open a dialogue concerning engrained semantics. Unfortunately, the conversation has gotten off to a rocky start. Last month the NSBAIDRD (Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design) issued a notice that the use of the title "architectural associate" or "design professional" by interns is a violation of Nevada law. From my own conversations, it seems sides are generally being drawn along the "licensure-line": those who are currently licensed agree with NSBAIDRD and believe changing pre-licensure titling is a non-issue, while those not yet licensed believe the perception of titles within the professional is conversation worth pursuing.

What are your thoughts? Does this affect you? How does it affect you? What's your position? With that, the AIALV-EPYAF has established an online discussion board; specifically for these types of issues. We believe it is vital to start an open dialogue concerning current items that affect our profession – especially ones related to Emerging Professionals (students, associate AIA members, and newly licensed architects):  
<http://aialv-epyaf.proboards.com/> Information and articles related to this debate will be posted here, in hopes of creating an ongoing dialogue between not only EPs, but all AIA members – so please join the discussion!

**Also, don't forget the next Memoir Monday event: Monday, June 26th at 6pm: Windom Kimsey, FAIA (TSK Architects)**  
 The Memoir Monday series gives emerging professionals a chance to sit down with an established, local architect and hear about their career in a small group setting.

If you are interested in helping out with the planning and promoting of these events, have some ideas of your own, or would like to be part of the Emerging Professionals committee in any way – please email me: [tal-len@csdarchitecture.com](mailto:tal-len@csdarchitecture.com)



**Urban Sketchers**

The Urban Sketchers next meeting will be on **Saturday, June 17th, from 9:00am to 11:00pm.**

They will be meeting at the Linq under the Wheel (3535 S. Las Vegas Blvd., South, LV, NV. 89109)

(702-498-3658 Eric's Cell)

**PLEASE RSVP TO ATTEND**

**RSVP today to [eroberts@sh-architecture.com](mailto:eroberts@sh-architecture.com)**

You should bring your own sketch supplies, some water and your water colors (if you'd like). Don't forget some water (to drink), something to sit on (you'll be glad you did)!

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**See you June 17th**



Last Month - Rhyolite Ghost Town



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### 2017 Western Mountain Region Conference

Chair: Jennifer Turchin, AIA  
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AIA National will hold the annual SPEAK UP Advocacy Training in Denver, Colorado on July 19-21.

SPEAK UP is a three day advocacy skills training, with interactive discussions and hands-on learning opportunities to each architects how they can better engage in the legislative and political arenas at the federal, state and local levels. It will bring together AIA members from across the Institute to share winning strategies, learn from political professionals and find new ways to mobilize members to advocate in their communities.

If you have an interest in Legislative Advocacy and protecting the profession then we need to talk to you. Now more than ever, the profession needs AIA members who will SPEAK UP in the political arena and do it effectively. The purpose of this conference is to teach architects how to take action with regard to important legislative issues and how to be an advocate for the profession and your fellow architects.

Attendance is limited. We're looking for individuals who want to make a difference in the world through engaging in the electoral and legislative process.

If you are interested in attending, please contact R. Lavigne, Hon. AIA at [rlavigne@aianeveda.org](mailto:rlavigne@aianeveda.org) or 702-895-0936

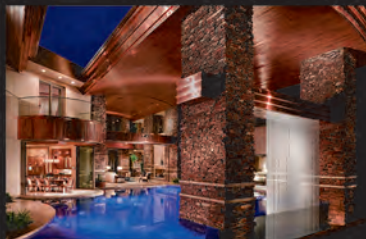


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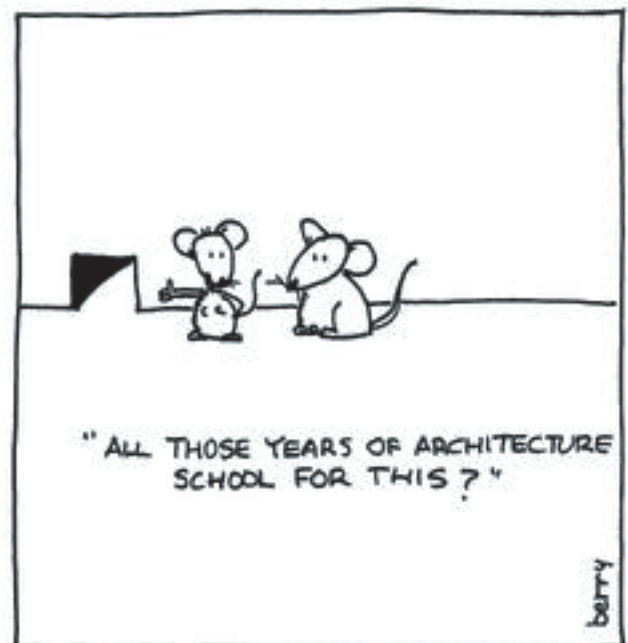
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## AIA EVENTS CALENDAR

# JUNE

- 8 - 10 WMR CACE Retreat Santa Fe, NM
- 17 AIA LV Urban Sketchers
- 18 Father's Day
- 20 AIA Las Vegas Board Meeting
- 21 AIA Membership Meeting "What Are You Saying? - Media Training"
- 22 AIA Nevada Board Meeting and AIA LV COTE CE Breakfast
- 26 Memior Monday Windom Kimsey, FAIA - TSK Architects

# JULY

- 3 WMR Design & Service Awards Call for Entry WMR Conference Registration Opens
- 4 4th of July!!
- 6 Building Las Vegas Panel Discussion
- 18 AIA Las Vegas Board Meeting
- 19 - 21 Speak Up Denver, CO.
- 20 AIA Nevada Board Meeting

# AUG

- 1 AIA Nevada Design & Service Awards Call For Entry & Nominations Launch
- 3 Building Las Vegas Panel Discussion
- 9-12 AIA CACE Annual Meeting Portland, OR.
- 10 AIA LV CE Luncheon Vision 2045 Downtown Masterplan
- 15 AIA Las Vegas Board Meeting
- 16 WMR Design Forms & Fees Due
- 17 AIA Nevada Board Meeting
- 24 AIA LV CE Luncheon Hosted by Henriksen Butler / DIRT
- 30 WMR Honor Submittals Due